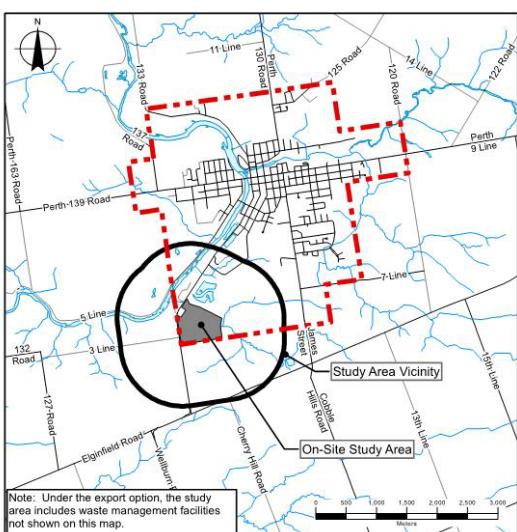


Notice of Commencement of Future Solid Waste Disposal Needs Environmental Assessment Study Town of St. Marys

The Town of St. Marys (Town) is undertaking an individual environmental assessment (EA) under the Environmental Assessment Act for the identification and selection of a preferred solid waste disposal option for the Town.

The St. Marys landfill site, located at 1221 Water Street South, is nearing its current approved capacity. The Town is reviewing options to manage solid waste over the next 40 years. Options include 1) closing the existing landfill and transporting waste to another disposal facility outside of the Town, or 2) expanding the existing landfill.



The Process

The first step in the EA process was the preparation of Terms of Reference (TOR), setting out the parameters of the study. In December 2014, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change approved the TOR for the St. Mary's Future Solid Waste Disposal Needs EA. The full TOR is available for download on the Town's website: http://www.townofstmarys.com/waste-management.aspx#Special_Projects. A paper copy of the TOR may also be reviewed at the following locations:

- Town Hall: 175 Queen Street East, St. Marys, ON N4X 1B6
- Municipal Operations Centre: 408 James St. S., St. Marys, ON N4X 1B6

The next step is to complete the environmental assessment. This study will be carried out according to the approved TOR and the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. Results from

this study will be documented in an environmental assessment report, which will be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change for review. At that time, the public, Aboriginal communities and other interested persons will be informed when and where the environmental assessment can be reviewed.

Consultation

Members of the public, agencies and other interested persons are encouraged to participate in the study by attending consultation opportunities or contacting staff directly with comments or questions. Consultation opportunities are planned throughout the study. Public Information Centres will be held during the EA process and will be advertised on the Town's website, in the St. Marys Journal Argus and the St. Marys Independent, as well as through direct communications with local landowners, Aboriginal communities, and review and utility agencies.

If you would like to be added to the project mailing list or have project-related questions, please contact either:

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